Amend the following claims:

1. A double-ended wrench comprising:

two wrench heads positioned, one at each end of an elongated handle; and ,

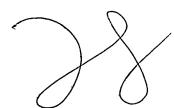
a gripping means formed shorter than and for movement along said elongated handle whereby said gripping means is positionable at each end of said elongated handle without obstructing the other end thereof, said gripping means having a cavity therein with a central part and two ends, at least one of said two ends having a wwidth dimension greater than a wwidth dimension of said central part, and said central part having a dimension less than an outer dimension of each of said wrench heads whereby, the movement of said gripping means along said elongated handle is confined by said two wrench heads.

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A gripping means for a double-ended wrench having two wrench heads positioned, one at each end of an elongated handle; said gripping means formed shorter than and for movement along said elongated handle whereby said gripping means is positionable at each end of said elongated handle without obstructing the other end thereof, said gripping means having a cavity therein

with a central part and two ends, at least one of said two ends having a wwidth

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dimension greater than a mwidthm dimension of said central part, and said central part having a dimension less than an outer dimension of each of said wrench heads whereby the movement of said gripping means along said elongated handle is confined by said two wrench heads.

Add the following claims:

A double-ended wrench of claim 1, wherein said gripping means has an inner member and an outer member with said inner member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said elongated handle, and said outer member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said inner member.

A double-ended wrench of claim 32, wherein said gripping means outer member is substantially elastic and continuous.

A double-ended wrench of claim 32, wherein said gripping means inner member has two ends, and said gripping means outer member extends beyond at least one of said two ends of said gripping means inner member.

A gripping means of claim, wherein said gripping means has an inner member and an outer member with said inner member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said wrench elongated handle, and said outer member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said inner member.

36. A gripping means of claim 35, wherein said gripping means outer member is substantially elastic and continuous.

A gripping means of claim 25, wherein said gripping means inner member has two ends, and said gripping means outer member extends beyond at least one of said two ends of said gripping means inner member.

A double-ended wrench of claim 37, wherein said gripping means has an inner member and an outer member with said inner member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said wrench elongated handle, and said outer member formed to substantially encompass at least a portion of said inner member.

A double-ended wrench of claim 38, wherein said gripping means outer member is substantially elastic and continuous.

A double-ended wrench of claim 38, wherein said gripping means inner member has two ends, and said gripping means outer member extends beyond at least one of said two ends of said gripping means inner member.

REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the examiners involved with this case for their patience and guidance. As per the advice of the examiner, applicant has added the word --width-- to the word "dimension" in claims 1 and 6, to better define the

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